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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF CLASSIFIED CORRESPONDENCE AND POUCHES

REF: STATE 135364

1. AS ASSUMED PARA 2, REFTEL, EMBASSY KUWAIT SUPPLIES ENGLISH-SPEAKING FSLE IN EMBASSY VEHICLE TO TRANSPORT DIP COURIERS AND MATERIAL TO/FROM AIRPORT. WHEN SITUATION REQUIRES, EMBOFF GOES TO AIRPORT FOR AIRPORT EXCHANGE OR TO HOLD POUCHES WHILE COURIER GOES TO/FROM RESTRICTED AREAS (BAGHDAD). ENGLISH-SPEAKING FSLE DOES ALL ROUTINE IN-TOWN MESSENGER SERVICE. NON-ROUTINE DELIVERIES (SPECIAL NOTES, ETC.) HANDLED BY EMBOFF.

2. POTENTIAL PROBLEM AREAS ARE;

A. AIRPORT IS 20 KILOMETERS FROM EMBASSY WITH TRAFFIC TO/FROM CITY CONSTANTLY BEING DETOURED BECAUSE OF FREQUENT ROAD REPAIRS.

B. MOST FLIGHTS OPERATE AFTER EMBASSY BUSINESS HOURS, AND ARE MORE OFTEN DELAYED THAN ON TIME.

C. EMBASSY HAS NO COMMUNICATIONS WITH VEHICLES.

D. EMBASSY VEHICLES WELL KNOWN IN COMMUNITY AND READILY IDENTIFIED AS SUCH.

GIVEN ABOVE FACTORS, POTENTIAL EXISTS FOR ACT TO BE COMMITTED
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AGAINST COURIER OR COURIER MATERIAL WITH EMBASSY UNAWARE FOR,

AT MINIMUM, MANY HOURS.

3. ADDITIONAL PROBLEM IS FACT ALL COURIER ACTIVITY BETWEEN KUWAIT AND MANAMA, DOHA, ABUDHABI, AND MUSCAT, BEING HANDLED ON NON-PRO BASIS BY TOTALLY UNTRAINED POST PERSONNEL. EMBASSY COMING IN SHORTLY WITH REQUEST FOR PROFESSIONAL COURIER SERVICE MANAMA, DOHA, ABU DHABI, AND MUSCAT.

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